

**URBAN-REACH:**  
**An Urban Response to Enhance and Attain Child Health**  
QUARTERLY REPORT: JULY 2001- SEPTEMBER 2001

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**URBAN-REACH****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: July 2001- September 2001 Report**

During the reporting period, the Urban Reach team distributed vitadele, monitored nutrition status, conducted home visits to malnourished children and provided health education trainings for posyandu's cadre in Surabaya. Effective August 2001, the team also issued a monthly health newsletter called "Semanggi" that included information on project progress. This newsletter was distributed to related parties such as Posyandu cadres, Puskesmas, District Health Office and other stake holders. In collaboration with the District Health Office and six radio stations, the team conducted radio announcements on vitamin A distribution. The announcements supported the government health program, which distributes vitamin A to under-five children.

The nutrition status of children under five years old in the Surabaya program area during this period suggests that the average figure of global underweight malnutrition fell to 24.41 %. A total of 9,843 kgs of vitadele have been distributed to total 5,798 of beneficiaries in 11 villages. (average 1,932 children under-five receive vitadele monthly)

**1. Coordination with local government and other NGOs**

During this period of operation, the Urban Reach team co-ordinated with the local government and other NGOs to achieve the following:

- On July 17, 2001, the Urban Reach team conducted a one-day workshop on "Sharing Project Information". The workshop was attended by representatives from the local district and sub district government officers. Participants also came from the puskesmas, radio station, Surabaya nutritionist school and US Consulate General in Surabaya. This workshop aimed to disseminate the progress of Urban Reach as well as other World Vision project implemented within Surabaya such as the USAID-funded Transitional Activity Program and the long-term community centered Area Development Program.
- On August 12, 2001 Ms. Priyoutomo held a meeting with staff of Bappeko (Bureau of City Planning and Development) to discuss on Urban Reach planning in year 2002.
- On August 15-20, 2001, Ms. Priyoutomo and Ms. Aruan held a series meetings with Head of District Health Office, Subdistrict Health Office and Subdistrict Health Center to discuss on the progress of vitamin A distribution and the preparation of baby contest held in September 2001.
- On August 22, 2001, Ms. Priyoutomo had a meeting with Dr. Benny Soegiantoro, MPH of Surabaya Nutritionist School to prepare a baseline survey.

**2. Management Report****1.1 Design and Training:**

- To disseminate the progress of the Urban Reach project, the team issued monthly newsletter called "Semanggi". This newsletter is expected to aid communication within the community, particularly mothers of under-five children. Each month the team prints 5,500 exemplars and distributes them to 21 villages within the project service. Health cadres and nutrition was the focus of the newsletter during the reporting period.
- Since July 20<sup>th</sup> 2001, the health team has collaborated with 6 Surabaya commercial radio stations (El Victor, Camar, Suara MTB, Metro Female, Miniwatt and Antariksa) to broadcast radio announcements on Vitamin A. These announcements support the government plan to distribute vitamin A for under-five children in August 2001. In September 2001, the topic for radio announcements was Exclusive Breastfeeding. In addition, the team also disseminated IEC (Information, Education, Communication) materials for this purposes to Puskesmas, Posyandu, sub-district and village office. IEC materials were provided by the NGO, Hellen Keller International.
- In order to build the capacity of Posyandu cadre and to strengthen the collaboration between the Urban Reach (UR) team with cadres, the team conducted regular meetings to train and share information. This meeting will be attended by all cadres of each posyandu and is held monthly in each village.

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- Along with vitamin A distribution activities in August 2001, the team conducted health education session on vitamin A to 750 mothers in 154 Posyandu. To evaluate this activity, the team conducted pre and post tests to know the percentage of the mothers on vitamin A. It was found that :
  - pre test 35% (well understand) ; 65% (less understand)
  - post test 95% (well understand) ; 5% (less understand)
- In collaboration with Sekolah Pembantu Ahli Gizi (SPAG) Surabaya, the team conducted a baseline survey in September 2001. The results will be published in November 2001.
- The Urban Reach team, in collaboration with Dinas Kesehatan Kotamadya Surabaya and PT Gizindo Prima Nusantara conducted baby contests in 4 sub-districts (Tambak Sari, Genteng, Wonokromo and Benowo) in September 2001. The contestants were divided into 2 groups aged 6-24 months and 2-5 years old. A total 93 of contestants participated in the contest.

## 1.2. Personnel:

No variance on this section

## 1.3. Monitoring :

The nutrition status of targeted children during this period was monitored through anthropometric measurements. Overall, 24.41 % of the children surveyed were underweight.

## 1.4. Commodity

During this period, the team distributed 9,843 kgs of vitadele to 5798 under five children

## 1.5. Finance :

During the first two months of the reporting period, \$68,206 was spent on grant activities. Due to the tasks associated with the end of fiscal year 2001, the expense from September is not yet available. As of August, however, \$ 272,313 had been spent during the fiscal year on grant activities. An estimated \$ 181,663 of fund remained to be spent. The table below details financial activity during the reporting period :

Month	Total Grant Budget US\$	Current Periode Expenses US\$	YTD Total Expenses US\$	To Date Total Expenses US\$	Remaining Grant Funds US\$	YTD Variance %
Jul-01	638,073	36,838	240,945	425,042	213,031	33.38
Aug-01	638,073	31,368	272,313	456,410	181,663	28.47
Sep-01	638,073	no available due to the closing of fiscal year 2001				

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS PER OBJECTIVES:

<b>GOAL:</b> <i>To increase the nutritional security of children in Surabaya</i>																										
A. Objective 1:																										
<b>A.1</b> Decrease the malnutrition rate among the target population.																										
<b>Monitoring by Activities:</b>																										
<b>A.1.1</b> Identify severely and moderately malnourished 6-59 months old children through anthropometric measurements in Posyandus																										
<b>A.1.2</b> Distribute supplementary food (vitadele) to 6-59 month old children.																										
<b>Indicator :</b>																										
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Proportion of under-weight children among under-five children</li><li># of children received the supplementary food (vitadele)</li></ul>																										
<b>Accomplishments from July 01 through September 01</b>			<b>Explanation</b>																							
Proportion of under-weight among under five children			During this period, the average figure of global underweight malnutrition (24.41%) is decreased compared to the previous reporting period (28.45%)																							
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<b>B. Objective 2:</b> <b>B.2</b> Improve the nutrition practices of target population.	
<b>Monitoring by Activity</b> <b>B.2.1</b> Promotion and training on nutrition (particularly food for children)	
<b>Indicator :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proportion of children (6-59 month-old) receiving Vitamin A capsule in the previous vitamin A distribution month. (February and August).</li><li>• Proportion of children (0-4 month old) given only breast-milk (Exclusive breast-feeding)</li></ul>	
<b>Accomplishment from July 01 through September 01</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
Through regular village meetings, the health team trained Posyandu cadres on health and nutrition issues. At the time Posyandu is taking place, these cadres will deliver health education messages to the mothers who are attending Posyandu activity. The trainings focused on KMS (child monitoring health card), Immunization, and Supplementary Feeding. A total of 368 cadres attended this training.	

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